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Adoption of the report of the Forum on its seventh session

Draft report

I. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The United Nations Forum on Forests held its seventh session at United Nations Headquarters on 24 February 2006 and from 16 to 27 April 2007. The Forum held __ plenary meetings (1st to __) and its two Working Groups held a number of informal meetings.

2. The session was opened by the Director of the secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

B. Attendance

3. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35, the Forum is composed of all States Members of the United Nations and specialized agencies of the United Nations, with full and equal participation. Representatives of the following States attended the session:

[To be completed]

4. The following United Nations offices and organs were represented:

[To be completed]

5. The following specialized agencies were represented:

[To be completed]

6. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented:

[To be completed]

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7. The following non-governmental organizations were represented:

[To be completed]

C. Election of officers

8. At its 1st meeting, on 24 February 2006, the Forum elected the following officers of its seventh session:

Vice-Chairmen:
Hamidon Ali (Malaysia)
Cristián Maquieira (Chile)

9. At its 2nd meeting, on 16 April 2007, the Forum elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman:
Hans Hoogeveen (Netherlands)

Vice-Chairmen:
André-Jules Madingou (Gabon)
Arvīds Ozols (Latvia)

10. At the same meeting, the Forum was informed that the Vice-Chairman, Cristián Maquieira (Chile), was no longer able to fulfil his functions on the Bureau and had thus withdrawn.

11. At its __ meeting, on 27 April, the Forum elected Ramón Díaz (Dominican Republic) by acclamation to fill the unexpired term of Cristián Maquieira (Chile).

D. Agenda and organization of work

12. At its 2nd meeting, on 16 April, the Forum adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document E/CN.18/2007/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Multi-year programme of work.
4. Non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests.
5. Multi-stakeholder dialogue.
6. Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests.
7. Dates and venue for the eighth session of the Forum.
5. Provisional agenda for the eighth session of the Forum.
6. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its seventh session.

13. At the same meeting, the Forum approved the organization of work which was contained in an informal paper.

E. Documentation

[To be completed]

F. Establishment of working groups and designation of their Chairmen

14. At its 2nd meeting, on 16 April, the Forum established two working groups. On the proposal of the Chairman, agenda item 4, entitled "Non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests", was allocated to Working Group I and agenda item 3, entitled "Multi-year programme of work", was allocated to Working Group II, to be chaired by the Vice-Chairmen as follows:

(a) Working Group I, chaired by Hamidon Ali (Malaysia);

(b) Working Group II, chaired by Arvīds Ozols (Latvia) and André-Jules Madingou (Gabon).